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TAGS: UN, BE

SUBJECT: CENTER ON MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS

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1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS REFTTEL, EMBASSY PRESENTED TO MR. ARMAND COESSENS, ASSISTANT GENERAL DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN TRADE, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT POSITION ON NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR OF UN MNC INFORMATION AND RESEARCH CENTER. MINISTRY NOT WELL INFORMED ON ISSUE AND DOES NOT WANT BELGIUM TO TAKE ACTIVE ROLE ON THIS MATTER. COESSENS NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT GOVERNMENT PRESENT POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE HE DOUBTED THAT CHILEAN CANDIDATE WOULD BE POPULAR.

2. AFTER CONSULTING WITH BELGIAN US DELEGATE IN NEW YORK, COESSENS TOLD EMBASSY THAT BELGIUM IS RELUCTANT TO INFORM WALDHEIM THAT IT IS OPPOSED TO SOMAVIA, AS COESSENS SAYS US HAS DONE. BELGIUM IS CONSULTING IN EC GROUP OF NINE AND IF THERE IS SUPPORT IN NINE FOR WESTERN CANDIDATE, BELGIUM WILL GO ALONG.

3. FONMIN HAS ALSO HEARD THAT DE SEYNES IS WILLING TO SERVE AS PROVISIONAL DIRECTOR ON INSISTENCE OF WALDHEIM. ACCORDING TO THIS REPORT, WALDHEIM IS UNDER PRESSURE FROM LDC'S TO DESIGNATE DIRECTOR FOR MNC CENTER FROM OUTSIDE LATIN AMERICAN AREA SINCE HD HAS JUST APPOINTED A LATIN AMERICAN DIRECTOR FOR ANOTHER UN ACTIVITY. BELGIUM'S FIRST PREFERENCE FOR MNC DIRECTOR IS DE SEYNES AND WOULD BE PLEASED HAVE HIM SERVE IN INTERIM. RENNER

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